I. Listing of Claims

CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) An air-bag being formed from an element of laminar material, the element of laminar material defining a central polygonal region having at least four side edges, and the element of laminar material having a shape and configuration equivalent to that of the air-bag when inflated, the side edges of the central polygonal region each carrying a protruding flap to define a plurality of protruding flaps including an upper flap and a lower flap and at least two side flaps, the upper and lower flaps having a combined area which is greater than an area of the central polygonal region, there being at least one infill element defined between at least one of the side flaps and at least one of the upper and lower flaps, the side flaps and the upper and lower flaps being inwardly folded to overlie the central polygonal region and to at least partially overlie each other, the infill element lying between two respective inwardly folded adjacent flaps defined by one of the side flaps and one of the upper and lower flaps, the protruding flaps being secured to form the air-bag.

2. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 wherein at least part of the element of laminar material defines an aperture to receive a gas generator.

3. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 2 wherein a reinforcement is provided around the aperture.

4. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 wherein the polygonal region has four of the side edges which are generally linear.

5. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 4 wherein two opposed edges of the central polygonal region carry the upper and lower flaps, each of the upper and lower flaps having side edges co-aligned with the side edges of the central polygonal.

6. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 5 wherein the side edges of the central polygonal region each carry a respective one of the side flaps, the side flaps of substantially rectangular form.

7. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 6 wherein one of the upper and lower flaps is provided with at least two of first strips of adhesive adjacent the side edges thereof, one of the upper or the lower flaps being first folded-in; and the other of the upper and the lower flaps is provided with one or more second strips of adhesive adjacent the side edges thereof and adjacent a free edge thereof, and the side flaps and the associated infill element are provided with one or more third strips of adhesive.

8. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 wherein the at least one infill element is of triangular form.

9. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 wherein the upper and lower flaps and the side flaps are secured by means of adhesive.

10. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 in the form of a knee protection air-bag in a motor vehicle.

11. (Previously Presented) A method of making an air-bag, the method comprising the steps of taking an element of laminar material, the element defining a square or rectangular central region, two opposed side edges of the central region carrying inwardly respective foldable first and second flaps, the first and second inwardly foldable flaps having a combined area greater than the area of the central region, two further opposed side edges of the central region having further inwardly foldable side flaps, there being a corresponding infill element between each of the adjacent flaps to define a plurality of infill elements, applying adhesive to the first inwardly foldable flap adjacent two side edges of the first inwardly foldable flap, and folding the first flap inwardly to overlie the central region, applying adhesive to the second inwardly foldable flap adjacent two opposed side edges and a free edge of the second inwardly foldable flap, and folding the second inwardly foldable flap inwardly so that the adhesive secures the second flap to part of the central region and also part of the first inwardly folded flap, and applying adhesive to the further

inwardly foldable side flaps and the infill elements, and folding the side flaps and infill elements inwardly to overly the central region.

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